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Chapter 3. Communicable Disease: Compilation of Data for Purposes of Preventing Spread of Disease

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Rules; procedures; notice

Sec. 1. (a) The state department may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 concerning the compilation for statistical purposes of information collected under IC 16-41-2.

(b) The state department shall adopt procedures to gather, monitor, and tabulate case reports of incidents involving dangerous communicable diseases or unnatural outbreaks of diseases known or suspected to be used as weapons. The state department shall specifically engage in medical surveillance, tabulation, and reporting of confirmed or suspected cases set forth by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the United States Department of Health and Human Services and the United States Public Health Service of the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

(c) The state department shall notify the:

- (1) department of homeland security;
- (2) Indiana State Police; and
- (3) county health department and local law enforcement agency having jurisdiction of each unnatural outbreak or reported case described in subsection (b);

as soon as possible after the state department receives a report under subsection (b). Notification under this subsection must be made not more than twenty-four (24) hours after receiving a report.

As added by P.L.2-1993, SEC.24. Amended by P.L.156-2001, SEC.4; P.L.1-2006, SEC.304.

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Duties of state department of health

Sec. 2. (a) The state department shall tabulate all case reports of tuberculosis and other dangerous communicable diseases reported under this article or under rules adopted under this article. The state department shall determine the prevalence and distribution of disease in Indiana and devise methods for restricting and controlling disease.

(b) The state department shall include the information on the prevalence and distribution of tuberculosis and other dangerous communicable diseases in the state department's annual report.

(c) The state department shall disseminate the information prepared under this section.

(d) The state department shall develop capabilities and procedures to perform preliminary analysis and identification in as close to a real time basis as is scientifically possible of unknown bacterial substances that have been or may be employed as a weapon. The state department shall implement the developed capacity and procedures immediately after the state department achieves a Level B capability as determined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the United States Department of Health and Human

Services and the United States Public Health Service of the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

As added by P.L.2-1993, SEC.24. Amended by P.L.156-2001, SEC.5.

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Violations

Sec. 3. (a) Except as otherwise provided, a person who recklessly violates or fails to comply with this chapter commits a Class B misdemeanor.

(b) Each day a violation continues constitutes a separate offense.

As added by P.L.2-1993, SEC.24.